SESSION GUIDE



Week Four – January 30 - February 3, 2012





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Dates to Remember

Monday, January 30, 2012, by 12 p.m. - Filing deadline for each additional member bill filed after the favorable reporting of a member's repealer bill by its first committee of reference.

Wednesday, February 1, 2012 – House Appropriations Committee will meet to take action on the 2012-2013 General Appropriations Bill.

Terms to Understand

Summary of definitions within <u>House Rule</u> <u>12.5</u>:

Appropriations Bill – a general appropriations bill or any other bill the title text of which begins "An act making appropriations," "An act making special appropriations," or "An act making supplemental appropriations."

Implementing Bill – a bill, effective for one fiscal year, implementing an appropriations bill.

Conforming Bill – a bill designated as such by the Speaker that amends the Florida Statutes to conform to an appropriations bill.

Access the Rules of the Florida House of Representatives.

House Business

Below is a timeline for the General Appropriations Bill, and related implementing and conforming bills. The Appropriations Committee will meet on February 1, 2012, to take action on the bill.

- Monday, January 30, 2012, no later than 12 p.m. –
 All main amendments for the proposed General
 Appropriations Bill, and related implementing and
 conforming bills must be filed with the
 Appropriations Committee.
- Monday, January 30, 2012, no later than 4 p.m. –
 Packages of amendments will be available.
- Tuesday, January 31, 2012, no later than 12 p.m. –
 All amendments to the amendments and substitute
 amendments must be filed with the Appropriations
 Committee.
- Wednesday, February 1, 2012, time will be noticed on Monday, January 30 – The Appropriations Committee will meet.
- Friday, February 3, 2012, no later than 8 a.m. –
 The General Appropriations Bill, implementing and conforming bills, as amended, will be published.

News and information about the 2012-2013 Appropriations process can be found by visiting the Florida House of Representatives website.